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THINK THEY STRUCK A MARK'S NEST.

The popular fishing excursion conducted under pretense of a contest for seats in the legislature has struck a great mark's nest. The man who acted as treasurer for the McKinley legion has testified that he paid out some \$10,000 for national campaign expenses.

THE DEATH OF MACCO.

St. Louis Republic: The blood of Macco is still on the walls of the city and will incite the lovers of liberty everywhere to disregard the restraint of diplomatic usage and governmental mandate and give expression to their sympathy for the brave desperate struggle of the Cuban for liberty.

SLIDING TARIFF ON SILVER

Secretary Wakefield of the Protective Tariff League Has a Plan. DUTY INVERSE TO THE MARKET PRICE. When the White Metal is Low the Import Will Be High, and Thus Stability in Price May Be Had.

PLEASANTLY POINTED.

Somerville Journal: A man with a scratch on his wrist makes more fuss than a woman who has got to have her arm cut off. New York Tribune: The Hostess-I suppose there is no use in asking you to stay in dinner. The Caller-Not in that way.

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On the whole it seems fortunate that that vote of thanks was given to Engineer Howell before the discussion began. The fishing committee is catching no fish that in any way bears on the legislative contest, but it is learning a heap about running a presidential campaign.

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Since Weyler has declared with unshelved typewriter that Macco was not assassinated, but fell in fair fight, all this talk about Spanish treachery ought to stop. But will it?

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Like individuals who burn with zeal in time of peace to aid the Cuban cause had better turn in an alarm of fire in season, or they may find themselves in a hotter situation than they will enjoy.

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A certain amount of opposition to the creation of the office of "public defender" is anticipated from young and aspiring lawyers whose only hope of practice and emolument is in their casual appointment by a trial judge to defend an indigent criminal.

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Penitentiary Agent Whitehead is certainly frank when he says he does not see of what use a successor to himself could be. It remains to be seen, however, whether populist reform extends as far as the abolition of a useless penitentiary appendage.

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The newest United States revenue cutter is named the Walter G. Gresham because of his service as secretary of the treasury. It would not, however, have required the naming of a vessel after him to make a place for the name of Mr. Gresham in the political history of the country.

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President Cleveland will yet have the privilege of appointing two more members of the Interstate Commerce commission, one of them to fill a vacancy created by resignation. President Cleveland's proverbial luck in these matters seems to stay by him to the very end of his white house career.

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